

LYONS TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 204
 BOARD OF EDUCATION
 MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
 BOARD-CONFERENCE ROOM
 TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2010
 6:45 p.m.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

PRESENT **ABSENT**

Mr. Mark N. Pera, President	<u>X</u>	—
Dr. John T. Polacek, Vice President	<u>X</u>	—
Dr. Arthur W. Sprague, Jr., Secretary	<u>X</u>	—
Mrs. Heather H. Alderman	<u>X</u>	—
Mr. George R. Dougherty	<u>X</u>	—
Mr. William F. Purcell	<u>X</u>	—
Mr. Todd M. Shapiro	<u>X</u>	—
Ms. Therese Murphy (arrived 7:30pm)	<u>X</u>	—

STAFF PRESENT

Dr. Timothy Kilrea	Ms. Joyce Marine	Mr. Scott Eggerding
Mr. David Sellers	Mr. David Franson	Mr. Edward Piotrowski
Ms. Jennifer Bialobok	Mr. Ed Tennant	Mr. Bob Sherman
Mr. Brian Murray		

VISITORS PRESENT

No one signed in.

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by President Mark Pera at 6:45 p.m.

ACTION NO. 1: Agenda Approval/Order of Business

With the request to pull “Boilers Replacement” from Unfinished Business Action Item 2a and “Facilities Committee” minutes from the Consent Agenda and add “Pending Litigation” to Closed Session following the Consent Agenda vote, Dr. Polacek moved, seconded by Mr. Purcell, to approve the agenda as amended.

By unanimous voice vote, the motion was adopted.

ACTION NO. 2: Adjournment into Closed Session

Mrs. Alderman moved, seconded by Mr. Shapiro, to adjourn the meeting into Closed Session to discuss confidential student and personnel matters, pending litigation, and to review Closed Session documentation.

On roll call:

Ayes: Mrs. Alderman, Mr. Dougherty, Dr. Polacek, Dr. Sprague, Mr. Purcell, Mr. Shapiro,
Mr. Pera

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

The motion was adopted, and at 6:47 p.m., Mr. Pera adjourned the meeting into Closed Session.

At 7:38 p.m., the meeting reconvened in Open Session with the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPEN SESSION – COMMUNICATIONS

Faculty Association President Bob Sherman gave a “shout out” to Board member Todd Shapiro for his participation in the flash mob dance at the All School Assembly and added that he was proud of all the staff for coming together at the end of the assembly.

He then asked the following Student Services faculty members to introduce themselves: Joan Cushing, Mike Liccardi, Anne Strickland, Kate Elliott and Debbie Clay.

Jim Muirhead, President of Glenbrook Group Inc., addressed the Board, stating that his company was not awarded the contract for the roofing project even though it submitted the lowest bid. He questioned why only one manufacturer was stipulated in the bid specs and asked the Board to review his alternate offer and reconsider the award of the bid. Mr. Pera responded that Mr. Sellers will address the issue later in the meeting prior to the Board’s action of the roof bid.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT

Ms. Murphy relayed that she received positive feedback from students who attended the January Board/Student Council breakfast. She suggested continuing the event in future years along with co-developing an agenda for the breakfast meeting. The Board also commented positively about the breakfast meeting, with Mrs. Alderman recommending scheduling two per year. Other announcements by Ms. Murphy included the following: King of Hearts dance is February 27; Hearts for Haiti, organized by Kaley Shannon, is raising money toward rebuilding a school in Port Au Prince--\$1.00 of each King of Hearts ticket will be donated to this cause; the play, *Ragtime*, will be Feb. 18-21 in the Reber; the National Merit & Illinois State Scholar recognition is March 3; girls gymnastics is going to state; the WLTL Rock-A-Thon raised \$21,191; the flash mob dance at the All School Assembly was incredible.

SUPERINTENDENT'S DISTRICT REPORT

Dr. Kilrea recognized LT students who received Gold Key, Portfolio or American Vision recognition at the Scholastic Art Awards. He also acknowledged the students’ parents and Art Department staff. On behalf of the Board of Education, Mr. Pera presented Certificates of Recognition to the following students: freshman Autumn Sills; sophomores Anya Archer and Emily Hajduczenia; and

seniors Julie Bone, (William) Austin Bower, Kerri Czopek, Kimberly Kuba, Rachel Lezon, Mary Malec and Michael Van De Graaff.

Next, Dr. Kilrea expressed condolences to the families of those who lost their lives in the tragic fire in Cicero; four of the victims had ties to LT.

Last, Dr. Kilrea also congratulated the students and staff at WLTL for their efforts in raising a record amount of money from this past weekend's Rock-A-Thon.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ACTION NO. 3: Textbook/Instructional Material Change Requests, 2010-2011

Mrs. Alderman moved, seconded by Dr. Sprague, to approve the 2010-2011 Textbook/Instructional Material Change Requests as presented.

On roll call:

Ayes: Dr. Sprague, Mr. Purcell, Mr. Dougherty, Dr. Polacek, Mr. Shapiro, Mrs. Alderman,
Mr. Pera
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

The motion was adopted.

Because no state funding will be received, Mr. Eggerding reported the estimated cost will be \$201,473.

Facilities Improvement Bids – Summer 2010

The bids to be approved this evening exclude boiler replacement at both campuses, which will be re-bid in March. Although tonight's bids are over budget, they include \$100,000 of construction allowance contingencies, which may not all be utilized. Mr. Pera asked what will be done with the scrap metal from the boilers; Mr. Sellers responded that he will look into that matter.

In response to Mr. Muirhead's earlier comments regarding the award of the roofing bid, Mr. Sellers provided a letter from our school's architect praising the accepted roof bid. He indicated that Mr. Muirhead's firm did not supply the requested additional information and also did not follow proper procedures in submitting the requested additional information. Mr. Sellers stated that LT will follow the architect's recommendation to put on a roof that can meet both temperate and tensile strength requirements.

ACTION NO. 4: Facilities Improvement Bids – Summer 2010

Mr. Purcell moved, seconded by Dr. Sprague, to approve the summer 2010 facilities improvement bids as presented (excluding boiler replacement).

On roll call:

Ayes: Dr. Polacek, Mr. Purcell, Mrs. Alderman, Dr. Sprague, Mr. Dougherty, Mr. Shapiro,
Mr. Pera
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

The motion was adopted.

NEW BUSINESS

ACTION NO. 5: Student #400xxx

Dr. Polacek moved, seconded by Mr. Dougherty, to hold in abeyance the expulsion hearing of Student #400xxx; should Student #400xxx attempt to re-enroll at Lyons Township High School prior to the start of second semester of the 2010-2011 school year, expulsion hearing proceedings will be immediately reinstated.

On roll call:

Ayes: Dr. Sprague, Mr. Dougherty, Dr. Polacek, Mr. Purcell, Mr. Shapiro, Mrs. Alderman,
Mr. Pera
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

The motion was adopted.

ACTION NO. 6: Student #401xxx

Mrs. Alderman moved, seconded by Dr. Polacek, to hold in abeyance the expulsion hearing of Student #401xxx; should Student #401xxx attempt to re-enroll at Lyons Township High School prior to the start of second semester of the 2010-2011 school year, expulsion hearing proceedings will be immediately reinstated.

On roll call:

Ayes: Mr. Purcell, Mr. Dougherty, Dr. Polacek, Mr. Shapiro, Mrs. Alderman, Dr. Sprague,
Mr. Pera
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

The motion was adopted.

NCA Visit

Mr. Eggerding discussed the February 17th North Central Association Quality Assurance Review visit. Six members of a quality assurance team will visit LT to tour facilities and meet with focus groups comprised of students, community members, faculty and staff along with Board members John Polacek, Bill Purcell and Bill Sprague. The team will also review comprehensive information about LT that has been collected over the past several months, including student achievement artifacts, goals, policies, etc. They will then designate a preliminary NCA rating judgment at the end of the day's visit followed by a written review within the coming months.

School Board Calendar for March 2010

The Board determined committee meeting dates for the month of March.

Prior to the Consent Agenda vote, Dr. Sprague stated that after reviewing the Closed Session documentation, the Board determined that only the written minutes of the Closed Session portions of Board meetings from June 2009 through December 2009 would be released under the Consent Agenda and that any recordings of Closed Session during that time period still require confidentiality. The Board additionally determined that audiotapes of Closed Session meetings of February 19, 2008 through August 13, 2008 can now be destroyed.

ACTION NO. 7: Approval of Consent Agenda

Dr. Polacek moved, seconded by Mr. Dougherty, to approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

LTHS Monthly Financials

Approval of Lyons Township High School monthly bills in the amount of \$5,007,220.56

Approval of Lyons Township High School financial statements for the month ending January 31, 2010.

LADSE Financials

Approval of LaGrange Area Department of Special Education monthly bills in the amount of \$2,253,859.69.

Approval of LaGrange Area Department of Special Education financial statements for the month ending January 31, 2010.

HUMAN RESOURCES

**LTHS Buildings and Grounds, Classified/Non-Contractual, and ParaEducator
Staff Employment Recommendations**

Employment

Sean Casserly, ParaEducator, effective January 27, 2010.

Amy Costello, Secretary to the Director of Special Education, effective February 8, 2010.

LTHS Administrative and Certified Staff Employment Recommendations

Leave of Absence

John Seiple, Social Studies Department, February 2, 2010-March 19, 2010.

LADSE Staff Employment Recommendations

Employment

Jennifer Ryan - 1.0 Teacher (short term leave replacement) subject to the Local funding program, beginning February 2, 2010.

Mary Berjohn - .4 School Psychologist (short term leave replacement) subject to the Local funding program, beginning February 2, 2010.

Katherine Smart - 1.0 Speech Language Pathologist (short term), subject to the Local funding program, beginning March 24, 2010.

Krista Pace-Murphy - .4 Occupational Therapist (short term), subject to the Local funding program, beginning February 22, 2010.

Resignations

Juliana Anastasiou - 1.0 ParaEducator, effective January 29, 2010.

Colleen Kelly - 1.0 ParaEducator, effective February 12, 2010.

Minutes:

Finance Committee – January 14, 2010

Regular Meeting – Open and Closed Sessions – January 20, 2010

Curriculum Committee – February 9, 2010

Human Resources – February 10, 2010

Technology Committee – February 10, 2010

Student Overnight Travel

1. IHSA Congressional Debate Tournament–March 2010
2. TAB Trip: NSPA/JEA Spring 2010 Convention – April 2010

3. FCCLA State Competition – April 2010

Scholarships

1. Jake Curby Memorial Scholarship
2. Ken Straube Fire Science Scholarship

Release of Closed Session Documentation

Closed Session Minutes Approved for Release

June 15, 2009	August 17, 2009	September 21, 2009
October 19, 2009	November 16, 2009	December 14, 2009

Closed Session Audiotapes to be Destroyed

February 19, 2008	March 10, 2008	April 21, 2008
May 15, 2008	May 19, 2008	June 16, 2008
July 2, 2008	July 16, 2008	August 13, 2008

2010 Retirement Celebration Estimate

January 2010 Graduates

Disposal of Surplus Equipment

On roll call:

Ayes: Mr. Shapiro, Dr. Sprague, Mr. Purcell, Mrs. Alderman, Dr. Polacek, Mr. Dougherty,
Mr. Pera
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

The motion was adopted.

ACTION NO. 8: Adjournment into Closed Session

Mr. Shapiro moved, seconded by Dr. Polacek, to adjourn the meeting into Closed Session to discuss confidential personnel matters.

On roll call:

Ayes: Mrs. Alderman, Mr. Dougherty, Dr. Polacek, Dr. Sprague, Mr. Purcell, Mr. Shapiro,
Mr. Pera
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

The motion was adopted, and at 8:15 p.m., Mr. Pera adjourned the meeting into Closed Session.

At 8:40 p.m., the meeting reconvened in Open Session.

ACTION NO. 9: Adjournment

Mrs. Alderman moved, seconded by Dr. Polacek, to adjourn the meeting.

By unanimous voice vote, the motion was adopted and the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

President:

Secretary: